

## SHOCK TACTICS USED ON OUR CO

Germans Violently Attack the Franco-Americans' New Line to Prevent Advance.

### AMERICANS SWIM RIVER

Sammies Sweep Huns From Slopes of Serpy in Face of Heavy Machine Gun Fire.

(International News Service.)  
With the American Army at the Marne, July 29.—(Night).—Throwing the Fifth guards into the fighting, the Germans reacted violently today against the new Franco-American line north of the Ourcy river in an effort to hurl back the apex of the allied advance. The Americans, who have been thrusting on the line north of Serpy, hold the spearhead of the allied front. Krupp batteries opened a terrific gun fire against the foot bridges emplaced over the Ourcy on Sunday night, at the same time shooting the Americans on the southern bank of the stream with gas projectiles until midnight.

A crack German guard battalion was thrown against the Americans at Serpy, driving the latter from the village. The Americans were not followed as far as the river, however.

While re-organizing the Americans threw up rockets calling for reinforcements. The Germans were ejected from the village.

In the counter-charge that followed the Germans were ejected from the village. After being reinforced by Prussian guardsmen from the north of the village the Germans attacked again and once more they entered Serpy. Then American reinforcements came up. In their haste those who could not get on the foot bridges swam or forded the stream. As soon as they could form their lines they fell upon the boches, driving them back once more. These shock tactics of attack and counter-attack continued all night long.

During the morning and early afternoon the Americans got their batteries of field guns across the river, dragging the pieces across the stream with rope lines.

In the face of heavy machine gun fire the three-inch batteries were wheeled into place and opened up a fire that swept the Germans from the slopes in front of them.

Dragging their guns with them, the Americans fought their way to the summit of the heights from three to four kilometers north of the Ourcy, where the artillery was again planted astride the Fumes highway. Up there the gunners could use open sight targets against the Germans.

In the meantime reinforcements had worked their way northwest from Ronchères, emplacing machine guns to guard their right flank and enfilading positions of the enemy who fell back.

The Germans are camouflaging their machine guns in the foliage of trees, frequently causing much trouble to the advancing Americans. Finally a lieutenant from Providence, R. I., thought out a scheme to combat this German cunning. When German "tree

### FRANCE'S HERO



GENERAL GOURAUD

Gen. Gouraud is the man who stopped the Germans between Rheims and Mass. last week. Withdrawing his troops when the German attack commenced, he waited for them to get past his old front line and then let loose a terrific fire which ended the drive. Gouraud led the French army at the Dardennes in 1915. Like Gen. Paul, he has but one arm, but this only makes him dearer to French hearts.

emplacements" were discovered the Americans would signal to their airmen by placing strips of white cloth on the ground pointing to the particular trees in which German machine gunners were hiding. Then the aviators would fly low over the trees pouring hot machine gun fire into the leaves and branches.

Usually the German weapons were tied in place and it was not infrequent that the bodies of dead German machine gunners could be seen hanging head downwards from the straps which attached them to their guns.

### EVERYTHING OUT BUT GREAT WHITE WAY

Though Monday night was designated as "lightless night" considerable comment was caused by the continuation of the street lights along the white way. On inquiry into the matter at the office of W. E. Wilkerson, who is county fuel administrator, it was explained that the order was not intended to affect any street lights at all, as darkening of the street lights would jeopardize the safety of pedestrians and motorcar drivers. The current furnished to street lights will, however, be reduced on "lightless nights." All store lights of every description are supposed to be put out on the nights designated.

## FUR WILL FLY IN LOCAL CONTESTS HELD THURSDAY

Phrase "Politics is Adjourned" No Longer Applies in This Neck of the Woods—Conner-Cummings Race in the Foreground.

The battle of the ballots gives promise to wage furiously throughout Tennessee Thursday and a great many surprises are in store for politicians of the "know all" class. At the head of the long ballot is the name of Senator John K. Shields, who is being opposed for re-nomination to the United States senate at the democratic primary by Gov. Tom C. Rye. Gov. Rye has charged the senior senator with favoring certain sons of wealthy men and assisting them in dodging the draft. This the senator denies and has filed proof and statements which he claims will protect him against this charge. There seems to be no secret of the fact that politicians and officeholders are lined up against Gov. Rye, but despite this fact reports from throughout the state seemed to favor the further fact that the race being run by the governor may overcome these tremendous odds. The failure of Senator Shields to grant the president's request to vote for the suffrage resolution is having some effect, too. Gov. Rye on every stump has offered to withdraw if the president would suggest that he do so. No such request has been made.

In Hamilton county especially will Gov. Rye run strong despite that here, as elsewhere, the senior senator is being supported by politicians and officeholders. The campaign of Senator Shields is being handled by Harry Reed, whose democracy has been gravely questioned on account of his support of Jesse M. Littleton for congress. The Rye forces are led by Will H. Frazier, local manager, and are busy night and day in the interest of the governor.

**Governor's Race.**  
The same conditions in the governor's race in Tennessee can be found as in the race for the United States senate. The politicians and officeholders seem to be backing Chancellor A. H. Roberts, of Livingston, there seeming to be a combination of Shields-Roberts men existing. However, there is still a doubt regarding this race, especially in Hamilton county, where the people, after hearing Austin Peay, who opposes Judge Roberts, have decided that Mr. Peay would not make a bad governor. Clyde Shropshire, speaker of the last house of representatives, is also a candidate for governor and will receive many votes. Col. W. R. Crabtree is a leading supporter.

### Fur Will Fly.

In Hamilton county, in the race for county judge is where the political fur will fly. County Judge Will Cummings is opposed for county judge by Sam A. Conner, a republican. Mr. Conner is supported by Ed Bass, a democratic city commissioner, who has held various offices at the hands of the democratic voters. Mr. Bass makes no denial of the support of his former partner and friend, Sam A. Conner. The Cummings crowd know this fact and say that there is another election coming by and by and Mr. Bass may want to succeed himself or even go higher. It is denied by one that the withdrawal of John Tinker, thought to be a sure winner in the race for sheriff

against "Bob" Bass, had something to do with the support Mr. Conner is receiving. Another strong supporter of Mr. Conner is T. P. McMahon, a candidate for the democratic nomination for the state senate. While Mr. McMahon is running on the democratic ticket for office, he never fails to put in a plug here and there for the republican candidate for county judge. The county judge's race is thought to be a forerunner of the next municipal campaign.

A race which people are beginning to take decided interest in is the one for sheriff between Bob Bass and Will Sears. Mr. Bass is the democratic nominee, while Mr. Sears is running as an independent. The withdrawal of John Tinker, together with the open support accorded Sam Conner by Bob Bass's brother, seems to have put a bad taste in the mouths of some people.

The race between Willard Springfield and Tom Rogers is creating a little interest, and friends of both claim they are winners. Mr. Springfield is asking for a third term, and Mr. Rogers is asking for his first political office.

Another race which is not without interest is between Ansel Gadd and Mance Sherrill for circuit court clerk. Mr. Gadd, who is now deputy circuit court clerk, has the endorsement of the bar and the judges, while Mr. Sherrill, known to the business men as a large following among the politicians and business men. Other candidates for county offices are unopposed.

### Justices of the Peace.

In the justice of the peace race in the First District it looks as if the democrats may land two of the places and Squire H. B. Caulkins almost surely the third. Squire Caulkins, who has the endorsement of almost the entire bar, is considered a strong candidate. His office has always been run on a high plane, and lawyers say they always receive fair and impartial verdicts. The democratic candidates nominated at the last primary are Frank Wells and Squires H. F. Lawrence and J. M. Dobbs. If the city is allowed an extra justice, then that place will go to either J. J. Bork, Jesse Owens or W. M. Weatherford. Mr. Weatherford, who is the republican candidate, is known to be a splendid business man and would make a representative in the court of whom his constituents would be justly proud. Squire Bork has an enviable record in the court and is the main hope of the democrats. Other candidates for justice from the First civil district are Fred M. Dearing and John Twinnam. Mr. Twinnam is one of Chattanooga's most successful business men and would make an excellent representative of the people in the court. Mr. Dearing is also well known in the county.

In the Second District Judge J. B. Ragon and Squire W. M. Parks are being opposed by Squire H. H. Eagar, independent, and Horace Humphreys and C. Z. Taylor, republicans. It is a foregone conclusion that Judge Ragon will be returned to the county court, as he is recognized as its most valuable member. He is a citizen of the very highest type and a splendid man. He has, as head of the finance committee in the court, handled the finances of the county and his excellent judgment and care have been the means of saving thousands of dollars to the taxpayers. Squire Parks, as has also Squire Eagar, has been the author of and the means of passing some important measures in the past court. Mr. Humphreys and Mr. Taylor have a good following.

### Legislative.

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Arch Norman Will Entertain Politically and Socially in Fifth Ward.

Arch Norman will entertain socially and politically tonight in the Fifth ward in honor of democracy. In order to have a crowd Arch has "procured" just 100 water-melons and as a further inducement for a large crowd has promised not to make a speech. The meeting will be held at the Sam Houston park rain or shine and the public is invited. Mr. Norman is democratic chairman of the Fifth ward.

### DEMOCRACY FEELS CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS

Enthusiastic Meeting of Executive Committee Hears Most Encouraging Reports.

One of the largest attended and most enthusiastic meetings of the Hamilton county democratic executive committee ever held was held Tuesday morning in the interest of the democratic candidates. Besides a majority of the members of the committee being present and reporting conditions in their various wards and precincts there were also present Judge M. M. Allison, George W. Chamblee, J. Lon Foust, W. E. Dyer, Judge Will Cummings, Judge J. B. Ragon, and others. Each visitor present made a short talk and urged upon those present the absolute necessity of working every minute and not stopping until the last vote was counted. Judge M. M. Allison took occasion to pay his respects to T. P. McMahon, who, he said, was running on the democratic ticket and openly supporting Sam A. Conner, the republican candidate for county judge. He said the sooner men like this were told where to get off the better for the democracy.

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Watkins, and the roll was called by Secretary Phil Shugart. As each member's name was called he responded with a talk regarding conditions as he found them in his ward or precinct. Each member reported a perfect organization and stated that sub-committees had been appointed and would be on the job until the last vote was counted. During the meeting Judge Will Cummings appeared and was given a rousing reception, and after making a few remarks was asked by Chairman Watkins to have a seat on the stand with him. Judge Cummings remained throughout the meeting, and stated afterwards he felt greatly encouraged over the reports from the various members.

L. A. Wallace, member of the committee from Sale Creek, was present for the first time. Mr. Wallace, who is one of the best known and most prosperous farmers of his section, was the compromise candidate in the tie race recently run between Dr. A. W. Gross and H. A. Graves. He made an encouraging report from his precinct, and showed that he was right on the job and was doing all in his power for the ticket. The veteran member of the committee, A. D. Thompson, made a rousing talk reporting conditions in his precinct at Mowbray in tip-top shape. He was roundly applauded. T. W. Stanfield made a short talk thanking the members of the committee, the candidates and democrats for the excellent support given him as chairman of the campaign committee.

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In the Third district the two democratic nominees, Squire Ben Bush and Walter Hampton, are opposed by W. H. Crowe, from Soddy, and W. P. Hays. The republicans are claiming that Mr. Crowe, who is cashier of the Bank of Soddy and a highly respected and self-made young man, will be one of the members of the next court. The fight for the other place is between Walter Hampton and Ben Bush, the present incumbent from north of the river.

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There are rumors of some sort of combine and a line-up to beat the federal prohibition amendment, but these are not verified.

The two candidates for constable from the First district are Charles Baker and George Kirklin. They are unopposed. In the Second district Frank Hendrix, the present constable, is opposed by Ed Sims, colored. In the Third district Frank Conner is a candidate to succeed himself. He is opposed by Burt Newport.

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An underhanded, insidious attack is being made on organized labor in this county, with a view to dividing the union people. This attack is of such a nature as to make a public discussion impossible, but it is necessary that immediate steps be taken to thwart the schemers. Accordingly, the Executive Committee of the Chattanooga Trades and Labor Council has called a

### Special Meeting For Tonight At Eight O'clock

At the

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Eighth and Cherry Streets

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F. T. CARTER, President

MATT GERLACH, Secretary